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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 15, 2006.

Reconsideration and removal of the rejections of the claims is requested in view of the remarks that follow.